IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Atty. Docket

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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE COMPRISING A SECURITY COATING AND SMARTCARD PROVIDED WITH SUCH A DEVICE

Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

- Page 1, before line 1, insert the following heading:
 - --BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--;
- Page 1, before line 26, insert the following heading:
 - --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--;
- Page 5, before line 19, insert the following heading:
 - --BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--;
- Page 5, before line 32, insert the following heading:
 - --DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 2, line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 3, line 1, change "or 2, characterized in that" to --, wherein--.

Claim 4, line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 5, line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 6, line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 7, line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 8, line 3, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Page 10, before line 1, delete in its entirety and substitute the following heading: --ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE--; line 9, delete "Fig. 1".

REMARKS

This amendment is submitted to place the application in proper U.S. format. Entry is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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